THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) and (b) That the Services of Indian agents should be dispensed with to the extent possible has been the policy of the Ministry of Defence from as early as September, 1977. A comprehensive review of the policy concerning the employment of Indian agents by foreign suppliers was completed in 1989, and instructions applicable to all Government Departments were issued by the Ministry of Finance on 31st January, 1989. Suplementary instructions pertaining to all Departments of Ministry of Defence, the three Services, the Coast Guard and all the subordinate agencies and organisations under the administrative control of the Ministry were issue on 17th April, 1989.

Representations by College Teachers of Chandigarh regarding Pay and Allowances

60. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Chandigarh College teachers have made several representations against change in their pay and allowances which has adversely affected them;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what action has been taken in the matter so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Chandigarh College teachers have been sanctioned revised UGC pay-scales w.e.f. 1-1-1986 with local allowances (HRA and CCA) on Central Government rates. The teachers have demanded that they may be allowed pay scales and local allowances at Punjab Government rates. While the UGC pay scales and the Punjab pay scales are the same, local allowances of the State are higher than the Central rates. The demand of the teachers for higher local allowances at Punjab Government rates has been examined and found unacceptable on the ground that these allowances have to be on uniform basis for all U.T. employees in Chandigarh.

Non-Implementation of Selection Grades to private-managed Government Aided College Teachers in Chandigarh

61. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more than 700 teachers working in Private-Managed Government Aided Colleges in Chandigarh are entitled to senior and selection grades;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for not releasing these grades; and

(c) whether Government have moved in the matter and if so, by when such grades are likely to be released?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Chandigarh Administration have issued orders on 26-2-90 for revising the pay scales of teaching personnel of the Government and Government aided colleges of the Union Territory Administration, applicable from 1-1-1986. For grant of